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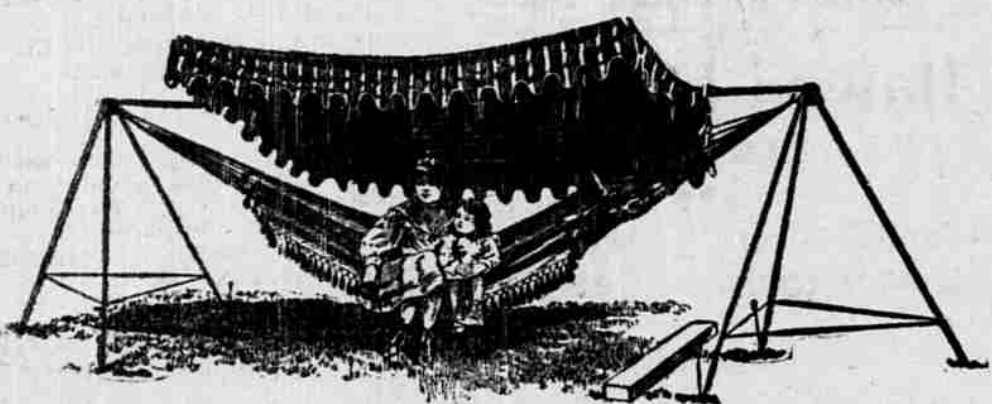
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## PLENTY OF WORK IN THE LEGISLATURE

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der the rules, the Senate had no jurisdiction in the matter. "If," said the old veteran politician, "Mr. Kanuha had been as long in politics, as I have been, he wouldn't be so thin-skinned or take notice of rumors, gossip or (sotto voce) newspapers. We are all honorable men, because we say so, and Kanuha is one of us."

Then Senator White arose in an unusually dignified and solemn manner. In his hand he held a copy of the advertiser, in which Senator Russell had stated that "Colonel Mazuma" was around with \$5,000 to bribe the House. He would demand an investigation if he was a member of the Lower House. The matter sounded substantial and worth looking into (as far as the amount is concerned), and the Senator from Lahaina gazed at his medical confrere and hissed, "Where is the money?"

Here Kanuha became touching. He said that he will stand and fall with the bill, but he will not work for dollars or filthy lucre but only for the welfare of the country.

"And (with a reproachful glance at the Doctor and White) I haven't seen a cent of that \$5,000 referred to, and when I go out from this Senate, I go as poor and pure as a new-born baby." (From White, "As you are now!")

President Kalua had by this time been awakened and said "Pau" with a capital "P" and, in spite of an attempt on the part of Dr. Russell to explain something, Mr. Kanuha's resolution was consigned to the wastebasket.

Senator John Brown under suspension of the rules took bill 27 from the table, relating to merchandise licenses, and consideration was deferred until bill 72, of a similar nature, is called up.

Bill 31, providing for a conservatory of music for Hilo, passed and was set for third reading on Thursday. (Did Senator Paris mutter, "I thought there was music enough in the air in Hilo without we paying for a conservatory"?)

House bill 41, providing for names of streets and roads, was sent to the Public Lands Committee, as was House bill 43, relating to numbering of buildings.

House bill 62 was referred to the Public Health Committee, and Senate bill 63, relating to exemptions in execution of householders caused a heated debate, in which Senator Cecil Brown did all the talking until Senator Carter said: "Let us go home and sleep on it and meet again."

And the Senate adjourned till this morning at 10 o'clock.

The House, with the exception of the contempt incident, railroaded matters yesterday morning and with the ready assistance of Speaker Akina, was proceeding at the same rate in the afternoon until the Sunday laws unloosed the flood gates of native eloquence and suspended work for an hour or two.

After the reading of the minutes, Attorney General Dole's message, relative to the correspondence between High Sheriff Brown, Rufus Lyman and Lorrin Andrews was read. Only one letter, of no importance, having been received the report was tabled pending the arrival of the rest of the correspondence. Beckley attempted to get the House's sanction for a Committee jaunt to view

the site for the proposed Reform School. Beckley had an opinion that the site was unsatisfactory and was hopeful of diverting the appropriation to the wants of his own constituents.

Mahoe suggested that the Committee be allowed to visit the site on Sunday at their own expense; a proceeding highly antagonistic to Beckley's feelings for the respect of the Sabbath. Aylett offered to pay back hire and Monsarrat reined in the discussion with a motion that the House proceed to business.

The proposed picnic gently drifted into oblivion.

The special committee to investigate the charge made by the Republican of March 31st, that the missing concurrent resolution had been hypothecated by Makainal, found the Honorable Representative clear from all obloquy.

The report stated that Editor Gill admitted, that the notice had been obtained from false information gained from Interpreter John E. Bush of the Senate and furthermore agreed to retract the said statement in the columns of the Republican.

Prendergast and Kanilo were eager to hale the erring Editor before the House, there to make suitable apology; not however providing who was to do the aforesaid "haling."

Speaker Akina recommended discretion and uttered an "Akina axiom" that the pen is mightier than the throat.

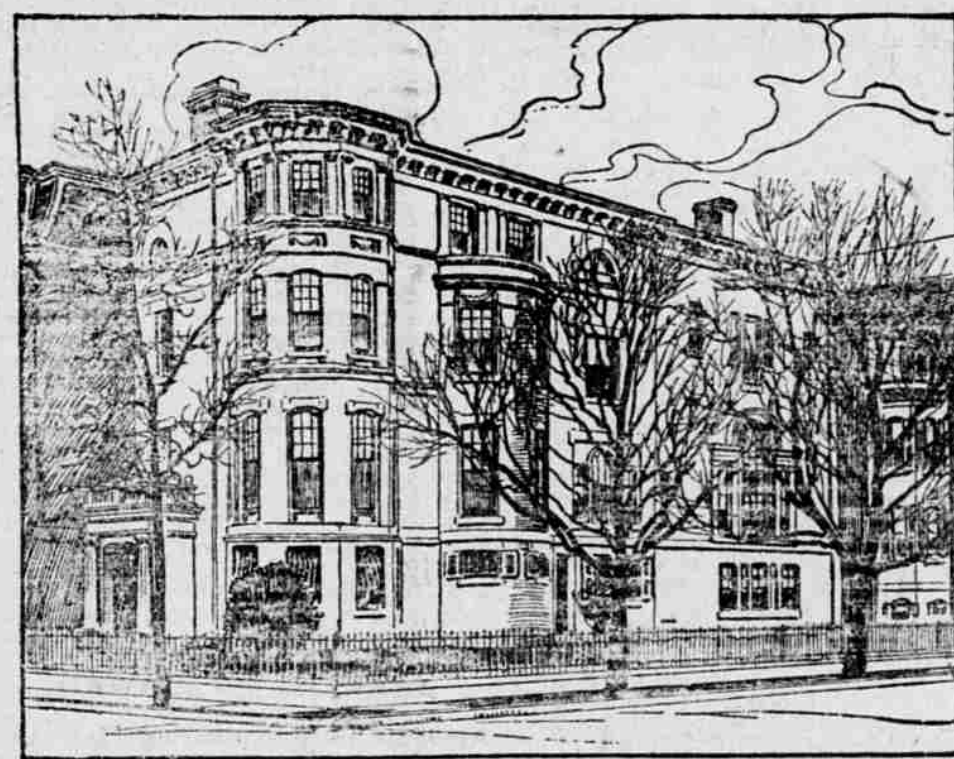
Ewaliko urged that the House behave as gentlemen and accept the Committee's report. Deprecatory advice, however, was lost on Hihio who likened the injury that had been caused the House by the Republican article, to "a worm that crawling all around the House contaminating all it touched. 'Let us' concluded the Reverend gentleman, 'Let us make an example.'"

Robertson asked Hihio if it were not Christian to forgive a thrust that was instantly countered by the text, "With what measure ye mete, it shall be measured unto you again." This provoked an irrelevant discussion on Scripture between Hihio and Dickey, until the Speaker advised them to keep the Bible for Sundays.

The report was finally adopted and the matter closed.

Everything went smoothly for the balance of the morning session. The afternoon opened with energetic efforts to dispose of the business in hand, which was finally foiled by the coming up of House bill 79, An Act to Regulate the Observance of Sunday Laws.

Kunakase moved its rejection and in response to an enquiry for reasons from Dickey, proceeded to unroll them, saying, in effect: "This is a substitute bill for the original and is full of loopholes which will finally allow open license on Sundays. If we work Sundays we'll be sick, and I object to the bill not because I am a churchman but on account of the health of the community. The Hawaiians, more than any other people, are famous for



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Paele: "In the original bill there was nothing to permit entertainments, while in this present one it is possible to do almost anything. In 1839 we were heathens; now we are improved. Only seven years ago our fathers and mothers prayed the good God to give us a good government, and I think that this present one is the direct result of those petitions. According to this substitute bill there is a chance to have theaters and even circuses between the hours of one and six. Therefore, I move we reject the same."

Beckley, who is ever on the lookout for his constituents on Molokai and Maui, also moved for rejection, saying that while Honolulu might be benefited, Molokai and Maui would not be.

"When," continued the speaker, "our Islands were first discovered we could be numbered by the hundreds of thousands; now, since the Word of God came, we have dwindled to a handful. I look into this bill with a law book in my hand, not a Bible. In this bill soda water stands and lunch counters may be benefited, but suppose I am a workman who labors hard all the week. I want to buy a suit of clothes to work in next week. I oversleep myself. Can I buy them? Am I benefited?"

"Ice in Honolulu may be delivered free on Sundays; that is good for Honolulu, but in Maui we have no ice. Then fresh fish should be allowed to be sold us. If milk may be delivered, why should not the plantations be allowed to grind?"

Keliko: "We are forgetting the principles of our forefathers. Our laws were based on Christian principles. We seem to want to make Sunday a day for a good time rather than for worship. If this is to be, why attempt to raise a new generation? Why not do away with Sundays altogether. We are acting contrary to the wishes of our constituents. You, Mr. Speaker, were brought up on Christian principles, were you not? I

move this bill be rejected. It is a heathenish piece of business."

Speaker Akina was here heard to express a hope that the constituents of the honorable Representative would, when they next elected him, include a photograph with their choice.

Aylett, the introducer of the measure, in defending the bill, thought that the man who was fined for purchasing a package of cigarettes on Sunday was unjustly treated; that sailors who landed after 9 o'clock should be allowed to buy soda water and tobacco. He had obtained an opinion from the High Sheriff that if the present law were rigidly enforced the station house would be full. The Attorney General had recommended that the law be not too severely upheld. The bill was introduced because things were too one-sided at present. On plantations irrigation goes on on Sundays, which is not absolutely necessary, while at times when traveling on Sundays it is impossible in the country districts to get even a cracker to eat.

Ewaliko opined that if a man is offered double wage to work Sundays and accepts that is all right. That the offered bill was one-sided in that it allowed steamers to discharge freight on the Sabbath and not sailing vessels. He moved an indefinite postponement.

Mahoe pointed out that section 4, allowing stores to remain open from 1 to 6 practically conserved only two hours of Sunday, as at present barber shops were open until 9 and the substitute bill proposed to extend that time to 11.

agine that they had already secured seats in the front row in Heaven by virtue of living in a community that had had a hypocritical Sunday law for fifteen years.

"After this City is incorporated I fail to see what it has to do with the Representative from Maui or Hawaii, what we choose to do here in Honolulu on Sunday afternoons through local option. The people of this City want a more liberal Sunday law, and I therefore move that the bill pass its reading."

The motion to reject the bill passed by a heavy majority.

Monsarrat, rising to a question of privilege, asked the Judiciary Committee what had become of House bill 43, which had been apparently lost sight of for over a fortnight.

Emmeluth, replying for the committee, stated that they had been hitherto unable to secure a meeting with members of the bar, that profession being directly interested in the measure.

Robertson's query as to the number of bills that had been presented to the Governor for signature elicited the reply from Prendergast that four had been already signed and three were now offered for signature.

Kanilo presented his usual offering of petitions from Kohala district and closed the day's proceedings.

### BUSINESS DONE.

A bill to place a tax of \$10 on every ton of sugar (Prendergast) passed its first reading.

A bill to repeal chapter 55, Session Laws of '98 (Mossman) passed its first reading.

A bill to protect makers of siphon bottles to contain soda water, root beer, weiss beer, etc. (Prendergast), passed its first reading.

A bill to provide a franchise for electric traction for the Hawaiian Tramways Company (Prendergast) passed its first reading.

A bill to provide damages in case of "wrongful death" (Prendergast) passed its third reading.

A resolution to place the stenographer's notes on the journal. Adopted.

A report on House bill 31, to the effect that the Territory could better afford to improve its own schools before sending its youth abroad. Tabled to be considered with majority report.

A report from special committee investigating Republican's charge against Makainal. Adopted.

Senate bill 36, relating to the appointment of bailiffs, their salaries and payment of same. Referred to Judiciary Committee.

A resolution to appropriate \$5,000 for grading and repairs to Beach road (Keliko). Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Improvements.

Senate Communication was read stating that concurrent resolution No. 53 had passed that House.

Communication from chairman of Special Committee of Finance on ways and means was dated April 10. Kept until maturity.

House bill 53 (second reading), relating to rules and regulations for the administration of oaths and the holding of elections, referred to Judiciary Committee.

House bill 76 (second reading), to amend section 14, chapter 15, Session Laws of '98, relative to the trespass of animals. Referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill 10 (second reading), relative to the deformation of the feet of girls under the age of 18 years. Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Senate bill 13 (second reading) to amend section 182, Penal Laws relating to gross cheat. Referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill 52 (second reading), relative to employment of American citizens on public works. Referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill 14 (second reading), an Act to amend section 174 of Penal Laws, relative to offense of receiving stolen goods.

Referred to Judiciary Committee. Senate bill No. 30, relative to establishment of a seminary at Iuna, passed its first reading to Committee on Education.

House bill 79, an Act to observe observance of Sunday laws, Notice of introduction of franchise to run an electric on the island of Hawaii (Nallian).

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